

We have a Village Prayer Meeting at the schoolhouse every Wednesday evening.

The Woodbury Brass Band meets at the schoolhouse every week.

We have had tableaux at different houses, and expect to have others soon. Only 10 cts admission.

Quite a number from this village went to South Britain last week Thursday evening, to see a play at the Hall.

Billy Comber nearly cut his hand off with an ax.

Patrick Carroll has exchanged his dwellinghouse and premises for a farm in Bethel.

Benjamin Harnet has moved away from this village.

Marsh has hired his mule for another animal.

Charles Goodsell has improved the road east of his house.

BASHAM.

#### HOW THAT GATE CAME AJAR.

"Was whispered one evening in Woodbury by the boys (there were three or more),

"Let's get up a sell on David,

And send him home at night."

So that night, when all was quiet,

And Dave in the midst of a snore,

He was roused from the arms of Morpheus by a sudden crash at the door.

Then up arose David, in anger,

To find out the cause of the fuss,

"Firing big stones at his house!"

"Now keep on," said he, "if you think best,

And you'll find you'll get into a mess!"

But they laughed as they yelled back their answer

And I like my nose—'Till down your vest!"

This, night after night was repeated.

He complained to "the man in the street,"

(All attempts to get sleep were defeated)

"You must stop it, or I'll leave the place!"

Oh! so great was his indignation.

And so severely black was his frown,

Even the cats in their boots did tremble

Whenever they looked in his face.

As for that gate, 'twas by a corner,

And "the boys" thought they'd give Dave a rest;

So to get that gate off from its hinges

Those bright boys did try their best.

But for once "those boys" couldn't come it."

(Did not one of them have a cigar?)

But they left, of that night, a souvenir,

For "that gate" beat on being ajar.

Now this tale, for still further usage,

To THE NEWSPAPER MAN shall be given;

And while you are guessing "who wrote it,"

I do hope you will not name me.

MOHAWK.

Now, boys, if this course you continue—

If you even escape being hung—

Don't trouble with friends of the N. H. K.

For you're almost sure to "blee" stung.

DAVID.

#### Southbury.

News this week scarce and high.

Quite a discussion took place between certain lights (?) of the literary world.

Thursday evening a delegation of our young folks went over to So. Britain to witness "The Last Leaf," and other plays. The party were all well taken, especially those of Mrs. Ashton (Miss Canfield) and Mark Ashton (Mr. George Post). As Dick Biddle and John Downey Mr. George Post was simply luminous! Caleb Jackson was persecuted by H. P. Downs, a difficult part and well played. To omit mention of the fine singing by Mr. Bradley and sister were to do an injustice. Miss H. the Bryant and Mr. Burke received the only encore of the evening, for their equal rendering of a comical little interlude. On the whole, Rachel and Reuben could almost be called the favorites. I had given a tormented Clarence Fitz, an impossible character, who was represented to a turn by E. L. Mitchell, but where all did so well it is hard to pick a winner.

The debate at the Lyceum Friday evening was opened by Rev. Mr. Hart with an argument which deserves more than a passing notice. His opening allegory was very fine. Two arguments from Oxford and New Haven were read by E. L. Warner, and were received with great merit. Mr. Warner did well also on his side of the question in his own argument. The other speakers (all speaking extempore) were Messrs. E. G. Wheeler, Beecher, D. W. Mely, Mitchell, S. B. Warner and G. A. Wheeler. The arguments were the best ever decided in the Lyceum, and were all well received. Decision in favor of the "Teacher." Why not trim up Lyceum Hall with Christmas greens? We hope each one will answer—

"CERTAINLY! CERTAINLY!"

Go to Sanford & Hawley's for your diaries, as they have the best assortment, and at the lowest prices. From 15 cts to \$2.

Taylor & Hobbell have just received another lot of their celebrated "Melrose" floor which they are selling at \$10.50.

Doll finished Rubber Boots (imitation of Pure Gum), and advertised by some parties as Pure Gum, \$2.75 a pair. Genuine Pure Gum Rubber Boots \$3.20 a pair at L. B. Booth's. He advertises his goods just as they are, and can furnish his customers with the goods he advertises.

20 boxes of those choice Double Crown Musical Bells just received at L. B. Booth's 50 boxes more coming. Help yourselves at 10 cents a pound.

If you want Violin Strings of the best quality, at reasonable rates, call on Sniffen, the Jeweler, in Sandy Hook.

The best Japan Tea ever offered, for 30c a pound, or \$1.20 pounds for \$1.00. Go to L. B. Booth's for it.

Now is the time to buy presents for Christmas. Call and see our new goods, at the Newtown jewelry store, in P. O.

HARDLY to be credited, but it is nevertheless true, that a sick horse or a bad conditioned cow can be brought up in a few days by the use of Simon's Liver Regulator. The powders should be mixed with the food, and they will eat it readily; and it is surprising to see what improvement immediately takes place. It opens the bowels, strengthening them, and does all and even more than the best Condition Powders. A small quantity in the food for chickens will cure cholera and keep the poultry healthy.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELIEF of Coughs and Colds, use the popular remedy, *Madame Parrot's Cough Balsam*, one of the best and cheapest medicines sold; its virtues have been tested by thousands for many years in the treatment of all diseases of the Throat, and Lungs, and is confidently offered as a reliever of those diseases. Price 25 cts and 75 cents a bottle.

Now, Pa, it is time to think of Christmas. You know the children have often coaxed you to have your Photograph taken. Now is the time, so they can be finished by the Holidays. Fotocast is the best artist, 161 Main St. Danbury.

#### COUNTY, STATE AND GENERAL NEWS.

Friday the 27th ult., was the one hundredth anniversary of the battle of Ridgefield.

Stanford will soon petition congress for a lighthouse, to be placed at the entrance to the harbor.

The late Carrie Johnson, of Milldale Conn., who proclaimed herself a town pauper, left an estate worth over \$100,000.

AT THIS SEASON of the year Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness, and other affections of the Throat and Lungs prevail. *Madame Parrot's Cough Balsam* is a valuable remedy. No family should be without a bottle in the house. It is only 25 cents, and will be found worth as many dollars for the cure of the above complaints. It is for sale by all Druggists.

#### Hurrah for the Holidays!

#### SANFORD & HAWLEY

Have a fine assortment of Holiday Goods which they offer at prices reduced to meet the times.

A GREAT VARIETY OF

Toys, Games, Fancy Boxes, Perfumeries, Books, &c., &c.

Chromos! Mottos!

Specialty adapted for Christmas Presents.

THE BEST ASSORTMENT OF GENTS'

Scarfs, Ties, & Collars

IN TOWN.

Good Lamp Chimneys, 5c.

Pure Gum Rubber Boots, \$3.00 and \$3.25 per pair.

English Kip Boots, best in market; only \$4. Warranted.

THE BEST \$3 KIP BOOT ever shown in this place.

BEST RAISINS—Ten cts per pound.

SUGARS, Cheaper than they have been in 15 years.

Best Shell Oysters, Constantly on hand. \$1.50 per bushel.

CANDIES! CANDIES! at our make a specialty, in large assortment.

ALL WINTER GOODS MARKED DOWN.

EXTRA NEW

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR.

Five White Sugar House Syrup for Buckwheat Cakes.

A Fine Article of WHITE WHEAT FLOUR at \$8.50 per Bbl., Warranted. PATENT PROCESS FLOUR at \$10.50 and \$11 per Bbl.

Try our SOUVENIR SOAP—8 1/2 lbs. for 25c. Equal to Queens or Barnell's. Use Dobbin's White ELECTRIC SOAP, only 10c. per bar. Best Soap in market.

We are agents in this town for the Minnesota Superlative Patent Flour, which we guarantee to be the best flour in market, at the price we are reselling it.

Another arrival of that NEW CROP JAPAN TEA at 30c. per lb., 2 lbs. for \$1. Best Tea in town for the money.

Give us a call and be convinced that this is the place to buy your goods.

DISTRICT OF NEWTOWN ss. Probate Court, December 26th, 1877.

Estate of Harriet Bess, late of Newtown, in said District, deceased.

The Court of Probate for the District of Newtown hath limited and allowed six months from the date hereof for the Creditors of said Estate to exhibit their claims for settlement. Those who neglect to present their accounts, properly attested, within said time, will be barred a recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to GEORGE BEERS, Executor.

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SKATES

AND

SLEDS,

Hay Cutters,

Corn Shellers,

Foot Warmers,

Weather Strip.

Lowest Prices.

Andrews & Parsons,

DANBURY.

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Eye and Ear diseases successfully treated. Special attention given to Throat and Lung diseases. Diseases of Women and Children, and Surgical Cases a specialty.

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#### N. B. SNIFFEN.

WATCHMAKER AND JEWELER, SANDY HOOK.

DEALER IN Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Spectacles, &c.

All Repairing receives prompt and careful attention. Prices uniformly as low as is consistent with good goods and workmanship.

FINE VIOLIN STRINGS FOR SALE.

#### Holiday Goods

Christmas is Coming.

We are now offering extra inducements, and giving positive bargains in the line of

FANCY GOODS.

Collars, Cuffbands, Hoses, Ties, Wristlets, Mittens, Jewelry, Handkerchiefs, Extracts of all kinds, Lamp-glass, Kid Gloves, All shades in Silk Handkerchiefs.

In fact, everything you can find in a first-class Fancy Goods store.

Those in need of Winter Hats will do well to call, as I am now SELLING AT COST.

Great variety of Trimmed Hats on hand. Call and examine our goods.

MRS. DR. F. W. BROWN,

WOODBURY, CT.

#### Look! Look!

I AM SELLING

HARNESS,

Blankets,

Lap Robes,

Buffalo Robes,

Whips, &c.,

CHEAP, VERY CHEAP.

Call and see the bargains to be had of me before buying elsewhere. I am not to be undersold by anyone.

Repairing promptly attended to.

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Woodruff's Block, WOODBURY, CONN.

Three-quarters of a mile west of Town Hall

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OF EVERY DESCRIPTION MADE TO ORDER.

Repairing neatly done and with dispatch. Second-hand Harness bought and sold.

W. W. BETTS, Agent.

4th House North of the Fair Grounds.

WEST WOODBURY, CONN.

#### HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

SINGER

SEWING MACHINES.

Call and see the new Styles and Prices.

W. L. FLYNN,

339 MAIN STREET, BRIDGEPORT.

#### Farm for Sale.

FOR SALE—A Dwelling-house, Barn, and Fifty Acres of Land, located in Zear District, two and one-half miles from Sandy Hook. Said farm is equally divided into Meadow Orchard Pasture and Wood Land, and will be sold cheap for cash, or on reasonable terms. Inquire of W. H. ROWELL, in Newtown P. O.

#### Christmas is Coming

AND

H. M. ROBINSON,

123 MAIN STREET, DANBURY, CT.

Is ready to exhibit a large stock of articles suitable for

HOLIDAY GIFTS.

We have a very large stock of

WATCHES.

In Gold and Silver Cases;

SETS JEWELRY,

Comes and Gold;

EAR-RINGS,

all Styles;

Sleeve Buttons,

Scarf Pins,

Studs,

Charms,

Napkin Rings,

Fruit Knives,

Cups for Children

CHOICE ILLUSTRATED BOOKS.

BOOKS AND GAMES FOR CHILDREN,

WRITING DESKS AND WORK BOXES,

Pictures, and

Picture Frames,

(all styles.)

And in fact it would be impossible, in an advertisement to enumerate all the choice and pretty things we have, and so invite all to call and see for themselves, whether they wish to purchase or not.

No trouble to show goods at

H. M. ROBINSON'S,

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OPPOSITE CONCERT HALL.

NEW ORGANS, 16 stops, \$125.00, \$25.00, \$50.00, \$75.00, \$100.00, \$150.00, \$200.00, \$250.00, \$300.00, \$350.00, \$400.00, \$450.00, \$500.00, \$550.00, \$600.00, \$650.00, \$700.00, \$750.00, \$800.00, \$850.00, \$900.00, \$950.00, \$1000.00, \$1050.00, \$1100.00, \$1150.00, \$1200.00, \$1250.00, \$1300.00, \$1350.00, \$1400.00, \$1450.00, \$1500.00, \$1550.00, \$1600.00, \$1650.00, \$1700.00, \$1750.00, \$1800.00, \$1850.00, \$1900.00, \$1950.00, \$2000.00, \$2050.00, \$2100.00, \$2150.00, \$2200.00, \$2250.00, \$2300.00, \$2350.00, \$2400.00, \$2450.00, \$2500.00, \$2550.00, \$2600.00, \$2650.00, \$2700.00, \$2750.00, \$2800.00, \$2850.00, \$2900.00, \$2950.00, \$3000.00, \$3050.00, \$3100.00, \$3150.00, \$3200.00, \$3250.00, \$3300.00, \$3350.00, \$3400.00, \$3450.00, \$3500.00, \$3550.00, \$3600.00, \$3650.00, \$3700.00, \$3750.00, \$3800.00, \$3850.00, \$3900.00, \$3950.00, \$4000.00, \$4050.00, \$4100.00, \$4150.00, \$4200.00, \$4250.00, \$4300.00, \$4350.00, \$4400.00, 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